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Reception Newsletter—Autumn 2023



<u>Welcome to Reception!</u> This is the first termly newsletter which we hope will keep you up to date with all the activities and events happening this term. Remember to check the school website on Friday for details of planning for the week ahead at <u>www.manorinfants.com</u>.

Homework will be sent home every Friday. Please return the folder to school by Wednesday.

Staffing

Team Leader : Mrs Azzouz

Class	Class Teacher	Teaching Assistant	Midday Assistant
1	Mrs Willans	Ms Mellish	Mrs Begum
2	Miss Kadhim	Mrs Uddin	Mrs Afridi
3	Miss Kaur	Mrs Wells	Mrs Kasana
4	Miss Sifi	Mrs Stone	Mrs Begum
5	Miss Sullivan	Mrs Swinyard	Mrs Rahman

<u>Topics</u>

The focus for Reception in the Autumn term will be establishing routines and developing independence. The topic for the term will be **'Let's Explore!'** We will also be learning about Autumn, Diwali and Christmas.

The core texts for the topics will be: Every House on every street by Jess Hitchman We are Family by Ryan Wheatcroft. We're Going on a Bear Hunt – by Michael Rosen Mini Rabbit not lost by John Bond

Mathematics

In Mathematics the children will be developing their understanding of numbers 1-10. They will be learning to recognise numbers, count objects accurately and order these numbers. They will also be learning

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about the composition of numbers 1-3 and subitising.

<u>Reading</u>

We look forward to working with you to ensure reading is a

pleasurable experience for your child. Your child will be bringing home a library book weekly. Please try to find at least 5 minutes per day to share this book with him/her and write a comment in their Reading Record Book. Four comments recorded by you in the same week will earn your child a reading reward sticker.

During the first half term we will be teaching children the skills they need to decode words phonetically for reading. After half term, your

child will bring home a book they can read to you. In the meantime, use the Little Wandle Parents site to support your child in learning how to say the sounds for Autumn 1. Click on the link below.



For parents - Letters and Sounds (littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk)

Handwriting and Writing

Your child will be learning to form letters of the alphabet through daily handwriting lessons. Each week they will also be learning various letter sounds and applying this knowledge to reading and writing simple words.

<u>Uniform</u>

Please make sure that EVERY item of clothing is labelled clearly with your child's full name and class number. In order to foster their independence also encourage your child to dress and undress by him/ herself at home. Please make sure your child has suitable shoes with velcro straps. **Please do NOT dress them in shoes with laces.**

No jewellery is to be worn and long hair should be tied back.

<u>P.E.</u>

Children will be taking part in one indoor P.E. lesson per week. This half term P.E will take place every **MONDAY.** Please send your child to school in their P.E kit.

<u>Lunchtime</u>

Reception children will have a school packed lunch for the first full time week at school. Hot dinners will commence the week beginning 2nd October. If you are providing a

packed lunch from home, please remember that the following items are not permitted: fizzy drinks, sweets, chocolate bars, foods containing nuts (Nutella, peanut butter, cereal bars) or grapes. If you need some advice about packing a healthy lunch, you can make an appointment with Lorraine Whitehead, our Parent Support Advisor. Please ensure that the food is placed in containers that your child can open and close independently.

> We are looking forward to working with you! The Reception Team



